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The
NURSES REGISTRATION ACT

1951

An Act Respecting the Registration of Nurses

1. In this Act,

Interpre-
tation.

- (a) "Board" means Board of Directors of the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario, a corporation without share capital incorporated by letters patent under The Companies Act on the 4th day of December, 1925, and includes a duly authorized committee of the Board;

Rev. Stat.,
c. 59.

- (b) "Minister" means Minister of Health;

- (c) "registered nurse" means a person registered as such under this Act. R.S.O. 1950, c. 256, s. 1, amended.

2. The Minister shall be a member ex officio of the Board.
New.

Minister
member of
Board.

3. The Board, subject to the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, may make regulations,

Additional
powers of
Board.

- (a) prescribing the requirements for admission to schools of nursing and the courses of instruction therein;
- (b) providing for the holding of examinations for nurses who are in attendance at or graduates of schools of nursing;
- (c) governing the registration of graduates of schools of nursing located within or without Ontario and the issue, suspension, cancellation and renewal of certificates of registration of nurses;
- (d) prescribing the fees for examinations, registration and renewal of registration of nurses. R.S.O. 1950, c. 256, s. 7, cls. (b-d), amended.

- Registration of Nurses** 4. The Board shall maintain a register in which shall be entered the name, address and qualifications of every person registered in Ontario as a registered nurse. R.S.O. 1950, c. 256, s. 3, part, amended.
- Appeal** 5. (1) If the Board refuses or neglects to register a person, refuses or neglects to renew the registration of a person, or suspends or cancels the registration of a person, the person aggrieved may, within three months from the day on which notice thereof was served, apply to a judge of the Supreme Court who upon due cause shown may make an order directing the Board to make the registration, renew the registration, remove the suspension, or withdraw the cancellation, as the case may be, or may make such other order as may be warranted by the facts.
- Effect of order** (2) Every such order shall be final and conclusive and shall be acted upon forthwith by the Board. New.
- Offence and penalty** 6. Every person, not being registered as a nurse under this Act, who uses the title "Registered Nurse" either alone or in combination with any word or words, or who uses any name, title or description implying that he or she is registered as a nurse under this Act, shall be guilty of an offence and on summary conviction shall be liable to a penalty of not more than \$100. R.S.O. 1950, c. 256, s. 6 (1,3), amended.
- Commencement** 7. This Act shall come into force on a day to be named by the Lieutenant-Governor by his Proclamation.
- Short title** 8. This Act may be cited as The Nurses Registration Act, 1951.

REGULATIONS

under

THE NURSES REGISTRATION ACT, 1951

O. Reg. 200

Made by the Board and Approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council on July 17th, 1958, and filed with the Registrar of Regulations on July 22nd, 1958

Interpretation

1. In these regulations,

- (a) "registrar" means the person appointed by the Board to be registrar;
- (b) "school of nursing" means a school of nursing established under The Nursing Act, 1951 and the regulations under that Act.

Admission to Schools of Nursing

2. An applicant for admission to a school of nursing shall

- (a) be of a minimum age of 17 years, except in the case of an applicant who holds the Secondary School Honour Graduation Diploma in addition to the educational requirements contained in clause b;
- (b) possess
 - (i) the Secondary School Graduation Diploma with standing in grade 12 chemistry and either grade 12 physics or grade 13 botany or zoology, or equivalent qualifications as determined by the Minister of Education, or
 - (ii) where the applicant resides in another province of Canada, qualifications for entrance to a university that is a member of the National Conference of Canadian Universities and standing in science equivalent to that in sub-clause i; and
- (c) submit to the director of the school of nursing to which application is being made
 - (i) a birth certificate,
 - (ii) the report of a duly qualified medical practitioner certifying that the applicant is in good health and including the results of an x-ray of the chest, and

- (iii) a certificate signed by a dentist certifying that the applicant is in good dental health.

Courses of Instruction

- 3. The courses of instruction in a school of nursing shall include
 - (a) clinical experience in each of the subjects in column 1 of schedule 1 for at least the time set opposite each subject in column 2; and
 - (b) theoretical instruction in each of the subjects in column 1 of schedule 2 and instruction in the topics in column 2 for at least the time set opposite each topic in column 3.

Application for Registration

- 4. Every applicant for registration by examination shall file an application with the registrar at least 30 days before the time set for examination and shall submit
 - (a) a certificate of qualification in Form 1 from a school of nursing; and
 - (b) the examination fee prescribed by subregulation 1 of regulation 12.

Examinations

- 5. (1) The registrar shall conduct or cause to be conducted examinations for registration upon the subjects prescribed by regulation 3 at least once a year and at such times and places as the Board may deem necessary.
- (2) Where an applicant does not pass all of the examinations conducted at one time and place, she may try such additional examinations as the Board may direct.

Registration

- 6. The Board shall register any person who
 - (a) is a graduate of a school of nursing within Ontario;
 - (b) has passed the examinations held under regulation 5; and
 - (c) pays the registration fee prescribed in subregulation 2 of regulation 12.
- 7. (1) The Board shall register any person
 - (a) who has graduated from a school of nursing outside Ontario approved by the Board;
 - (b) who
 - (i) is registered or entitled to renewal of registration outside Ontario under regulations similar to these regulations,

- (ii) has registered outside Canada under regulations similar to these regulations but whose registration has been cancelled by reason of being a Canadian citizen, or
 - (iii) is unable to register in the place of graduation by reason of being a Canadian citizen and has passed examinations prescribed by regulation 5; and
 - (c) who pays the registration fee prescribed by subregulation 3 of regulation 12.
- (2) The Board may accept in lieu of the requirement in clause (a) of subregulation 1 such qualifications as it may deem equivalent thereto.
8. Upon payment of the reinstatement fee prescribed in subregulation 5 of regulation 12, the Board shall register every person who was registered under The Nurses Act, when The Nurses Registration Act, 1951 came into force.
9. (1) Subject to subregulation 2, any person who fails to renew a registration shall be reinstated upon payment of the reinstatement fee prescribed in subregulation 5 of regulation 12.
- (2) Where a person applies to reinstate a registration and ten years have elapsed since the person was last registered, the Board may require the applicant to pass further examinations.

Certificates of Registration

10. (1) Upon each registration the registrar shall issue a certificate of the registration in Form 2.
- (2) Upon each renewal of registration the registrar shall issue a certificate of the renewal in Form 3.
11. (1) Every registration shall expire with the 31st of December next following the date of registration unless it is renewed in accordance with subregulation 2.
- (2) A registration may be renewed by paying the prescribed renewal fee on or before the first Monday in February in the year following that in which the registration would have otherwise expired.

Fees

12. (1) The examination fee is \$10.
- (2) The registration fee for a registration made under regulation 6 is
- (a) where the registration is made within one year of the date of the examinations, \$10;
 - (b) where the registration is made one year or more after the date of the examinations, \$15.
- (3) The registration fee for a registration made under regulation 7 is \$20.
- (4) The fee for renewal of registration is \$5.
- (5) The reinstatement fee is \$10.
- (6) All fees shall be paid to the Board.

Discipline

13. (1) The Board may, after a hearing, suspend or cancel a registration when it has been shown to the satisfaction of the Board that the person registered
- (a) has procured registration by misrepresentation or fraud;
 - (b) has been guilty of malpractice;
 - (c) has been convicted of any criminal offence for conduct which demonstrates that it is not in the public interest for her to continue to practise as a nurse;
 - (d) is mentally or physically incapable of practising nursing;
 - (e) is so given over to the use of alcohol or drugs as to render the holder incapable of practising nursing; or
 - (f) has demonstrated by one or more negligent acts or omissions that she is incompetent to practise nursing.
- (2) The Board may, after a hearing, refuse to make or to renew a registration for any reason that the registration or renewal, if granted, could be suspended or cancelled.
14. Ontario Regulations 49/52 are revoked.

Form 1

CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION FROM A SCHOOL OF NURSING

THIS CERTIFIES THAT was enrolled
in the School of Nursing located in
in the Province of Ontario on the day of19..

and that

- (a) she has successfully completed the course
in this school on the day of
19...

OR

- (b) she will have completed the course in this
school on the day of
19...

Date

Seal of the School

Signed
Director of School of Nursing

Form 2

The Nurses Registration Act, 1951

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION AS A REGISTERED NURSE
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

This is to certify that under The Nurses Registration Act, 1951,
and the regulations and subject to the limitations thereof

.....
is registered as a Registered Nurse.

Dated at Toronto, the day of 19...

.....
For the Board

.....
Registrar

Certificate No.

Form 3

The Nurses Registration Act, 1951

CERTIFICATE OF RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION AS A
REGISTERED NURSE IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

This is to certify that the registration of

.....
as a Registered Nurse is renewed for the year ending the
31st of December 19.....

Dated at Toronto, the day of 19...

.....
For the Board

.....
Registrar

SCHEDULE 1

Column 1		Column 2
Item	Subject	Time in weeks
1	medical nursing and nutrition in relation to nursing	30
2	operating-room nursing and surgical nursing	30
3	obstetric nursing	12
4	paediatric nursing	12

SCHEDULE 2

Column 1		Column 2		Column 3
Item	Subject	Item	Topics	Time in hours
1	Science	1	anatomy and physiology	80
		2	bacteriology	25
		3	chemistry	20
		4	nutrition in health and disease	45
		5	pharmacology and therapeutics	40
		6	psychology	10
2	Health and social education	7	physical and mental health, the principles of teaching, and community health and social needs of the community	70
3	Ethics and developments in nursing	8	ethics, history, development and trends	40
4	Elementary nursing	9	elementary principles and practice of nursing	150
5	Advanced nursing	10	medical nursing	40
		11	surgical nursing	35
		12	obstetric & gynaecologic nursing	35
		13	paediatric nursing	20
		14	ophthalmologic and otolaryngologic nursing	15
		15	nursing in communicable disease	20
6	Medical instruction	16	medicine	20
		17	surgery	20
		18	obstetrics and gynaecology	20
		19	paediatrics	15
		20	communicable diseases	10

